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that the resolution could then be heard in 1976 rather than having it on the board during that entire length of time with the delayed time of hearing. It is merely a suggestion to the....if it is necessary, then I will object.

PRESIDENT: Are there objections to the request of unanimous consent? Seeing none, it is so ordered. Senator DeCamp.

SENATOR DE CAMP: (mike not activated)

PRESIDENT: Senator Syas.

SENATOR SYAS: Well I will have too.....now the bill.... now is the Legislature instructing me not to hold a hearing? Alright then, I'd better cancel the hearing hadn't I?

PRESIDENT: Yes. Good thinking George.

CLERK: Mr. President there is a rule change offered by Senator DeCamp. The rule change is found on page 382 of the Legislative Journal. The Committee took action and made its recommendation and reported on page 817 of the Legislative Journal. The Rule change itself is found on page 382.

PRESIDENT: Senator De Camp.

SENATOR DE CAMP: Yes, Mr. President. This is a rule change it is a fairly significant rule change as Chairman of the Rules Committee I will very briefly present both sides of the argument and leave it up to the body as to what they want to do on it. It would change from 25 votes to 30 votes the number required to raise a bill on this floor after it has been killed in committee. So many of the bills that have been raised this year with 25 votes would not have been able to have been raised under this proposal. The arguments in favor of it are: once a bill has been killed in committee it weakens and destroys the committee structure if you are always raising them on the floor. This would make it much more difficult to raise on the floor. Therefore it would strengthen the committee structure. The arguments, I hope that I am not interrupting something.

PRESIDENT: This always happens the week of St. Patrick's Day, Senator DeCamp, they get on people like me. There is some confusion about whether unanimous consent was on Senator Bereuter's request. I would ask the House to be in order for the discussion of the rule by Senator DeCamp. Could you proceed Senator DeCamp.

SENATOR DE CAMP: On the rule or that other thing?

PRESIDENT: On the rule.

SENATOR DE CAMP: OK, the arguments as I was saying, in favor of it are that this would strongly help the committee structure and give the committees more ability and power in